

in March'91. The transmitter has since been commissioned on its full radiating power of 10 KW with effect from 30th Aug'91 and is providing satisfactory service to the whole of Palamu district including Garwa Nagar, Bhavnathpur, Latehar, Chandra, Balumath, Japla and Hussainabad.

#### **Post Offices In Madhya Pradesh**

**4068. SHRI SURAJBHANU SOLANKI:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of sub post offices and the branch post offices in Madhya

Pradesh at present separately;

(b) whether any request has been received for opening new post offices in the State particularly in rural areas; and

(c) if so, the total number of post offices, sub post offices and branch post offices likely to be opened during 1992-93?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU):** (a) Total number of post offices as on 31.12.91 in Madhya Pradesh is 10968. Category-wise break-up is as under:-

Head Post Offices	—	52
Departmental Sub Post Offices	—	1335
Extra Departmental Sub Post Offices	—	98
Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices	—	9483

(b) and (c). Yes Sir, during the year 1991-92 so far 94 extra departmental branch post offices have been sanctioned for opening in Madhya Pradesh. While it is proposed to open post offices in Madhya Pradesh during the year 1992-93, it is not feasible to indicate at this stage the number of post offices likely to be opened during that year as the targets for that year in this respect have not been finalised.

#### **Post and Telephone Facilities to Panchayats in Rajasthan**

**4069. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT:** Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Panchayat headquarters provided with telephone facilities and post offices district-wise in Rajasthan during the last six months;

(b) the number of Panchayat headquarters to be provided with telephone and postal facilities during 1992-93;

(c) whether the Government have appointed special staff to ensure proper care and functioning of the telephones provided to the Panchayats; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

**THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU):** (a) 1094 and 112 respectively (during the period 1.9.91 to 29.2.92). District-wise details of post offices is given in attached statement. District-wise details of Panchayat heads in districts provided with telephone facility is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) Plan for 1992-93 are being finalised.